

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
)
Plaintiff,)
)
vs.) 3:09-CR-00210-B-1
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JESSE WILLIAM MCGRAW,)
)
Defendant.)

REVOCATION HEARING
BEFORE THE HONORABLE JANE J. BOYLE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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1 (In open court at 3:20 p.m.)

2 THE COURT: Last case of the day.

3 Ms. Heath for the government.

4 MS. HEATH: Yes.

5 THE COURT: And Mr. Lund for the
6 defendant.

7 MR. LUND: Yes, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Good afternoon.

9 (Defendant enters the courtroom).

10 THE COURT: Mr. McGraw, as you know, you
11 are here because it's alleged that you have violated
12 the conditions of your release. Do you understand
13 that?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, ma'am, I do.

15 THE COURT: Have you read all of the --
16 have you read the petition that has brought you back
17 in court today?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I have. Thank you.

19 THE COURT: You have a right to have the
20 full petition read to you in open court, or you can
21 waive that right. How do you wish to proceed?

22 THE DEFENDANT: Let's waive that, please.

23 THE COURT: Okay. Have you talked to your
24 attorney about how you are going to plead to these
25 charges?

1 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, we have discussed it.

2 THE COURT: Mr. Lund, how is he going to
3 plead to these charges?

4 MR. LUND: He will plead true, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: So I find by a preponderance
6 of the evidence that he has committed the violations
7 alleged in the new petition, that being the petition
8 filed 8/23. And the question is the question of
9 punishment.

10 So Mr. Lund, go ahead.

11 MR. LUND: Your Honor, I will be brief
12 with regards to this case --

13 THE COURT: Can you pull the microphone
14 closer to your mouth? Okay.

15 MR. LUND: Apologies. Is that better,
16 Your Honor?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 MR. LUND: I will be brief with regard to
19 this case. It is his second violation. However, I
20 would note that there is only one violation that he
21 simply did not report when he was required to
22 initially upon his release. It is a Grade C
23 violation, the lowest possible.

24 He is also a criminal history category I,
25 the lowest possible. We're looking at a guideline

1 range of three to nine months. And in light of the
2 fact that during the time period that he did not
3 report, he was free in the world and did not commit
4 any other offenses, and nothing has been alleged as
5 such by the government, so I would ask for a
6 guideline sentence of three to nine months.

7 THE COURT: Thank you.

8 Let me hear from Mr. McGraw.

9 MR. LUND: Your Honor, Mr. McGraw and I
10 discussed previously he would rather me represent
11 him and not speak at this hearing, if that's all
12 right with the Court.

13 THE COURT: Is that correct, Mr. McGraw?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor, that is
15 correct.

16 THE COURT: If I can have you step aside
17 and let me hear from the government.

18 MS. HEATH: Your Honor, this is the second
19 time that Mr. McGraw has been in court for the
20 purpose of a supervised release revocation, both of
21 them for the same reason; he immediately flees and
22 attempts to leave the country. He has no intention
23 whatsoever of being supervised on any sort of
24 supervised release situation.

25 This is a perfect case for the situation

1 that the defendant is admonished when he pleads
2 guilty and when he is sentenced, that he could be
3 sentenced to the entire term of supervised release
4 for a violation of supervised release. Since he
5 does not intend to comply with supervised release in
6 the future, it is ridiculous to then impose another
7 term of supervised release. So it would be the
8 government's request for -- for no other term of
9 supervised release to be imposed but for him to be
10 sentenced to the entire remaining term of supervised
11 release in prison.

12 THE COURT: And that being?

13 MS. HEATH: That would be 30 months.

14 THE COURT: I think it's two years, isn't
15 it?

16 MS. HEATH: I think two years is the
17 statutory max per count. He pled to two counts.
18 And the supervised release maximum, the reimposition
19 would be 30 months, because it's three years minus
20 the six months.

21 THE COURT: Okay. It's 30 months and not
22 two years; is that right?

23 USPO: Yes, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you very much.

25 MS. HEATH: Thank you.

1 MR. LUND: May I respond to that, Your
2 Honor?

3 THE COURT: Yes, you may.

4 MR. LUND: A 30-month sentence would be
5 more than triple the high end of the advisory range.
6 I understand that this has happened before, but at
7 the same time that seems like a grossly excessive
8 punishment. There has been no prior pleading or
9 anything else in terms of case law cited by the
10 government to support that kind of a notion. And
11 instead, we would ask for a guideline sentence.

12 And I would note, Judge, that of course
13 the Court can admonish him again. And certainly
14 he's being punished now. He's been in the custody
15 of Mansfield for the last month or so. That's a
16 far, far worse place to spend your time as opposed
17 to a low level Bureau of Prisons facility, which is
18 where he would likely go for whatever sentence the
19 Court deems to impose. So I would ask the Court to
20 consider that.

21 THE COURT: Mr. Lund, I really am
22 sympathetic to what you have to say if it weren't
23 the second time and if there weren't so many
24 indicators that he's not going to comply. So I
25 consider what you say, but I'm not going to follow

1 it. I'm going to give him the 30 months and no
2 other supervision.

3 I -- I know that's high. It's higher than
4 I would like, but it's -- it's -- I think it's
5 appropriate under the circumstances of this case,
6 because he is not going to comply with anything.

7 So I will give him 30 months. No more
8 supervised release. You have a right to appeal this
9 sentence. You can -- if you decide to appeal, you
10 are entitled to court-appointed counsel to represent
11 you on the appeal. You have to file an appeal
12 within two weeks of the date the Court enters
13 judgment of the case, which will probably be
14 tomorrow or Monday.

15 Mr. McGraw, any questions?

16 THE DEFENDANT: No, Your Honor, no
17 questions.

18 THE COURT: Mr. Lund, any questions?

19 MR. LUND: Note our objection for the
20 record, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: I note your objection.

22 Anything from the government?

23 MS. HEATH: No, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: All right. We are in recess.

25 Mr. McGraw is remanded to custody.

(Court in recess at 3:24 p.m.)

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